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Title: TRANSPORTATION FOR RIFLE COMPANY IN LOW INTENSITY CONFLICT (LIC)

Operation/Exercise Name: MARFOR PROMOTE LIBERTY Observed: 13 Jun

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### 5. (U) OBSERVATION:

During the low intensity conflict (LIC) operations of PROMOTE LIBERTY in Panama, the need for small vehicles exceeded the number available to Marine Forces (MARFOR) Panama.

# 6. (U) DISCUSSION:

The vehicles were needed for the numerous motorized patrols, listening/observation post (LP/OP) inserts, joint motorized patrols with the Panamanian National Police (PNP) and reaction forces requirements to cover the large area of operations (AO) assigned to MARFOR. Use of 5 Ton Trucks for these activities is not economical or tactically sound. To help solve this problem MARFOR used commercial vehicles for some urban patrols or vehicles recovered from the Defense Reutilization Management Office (DRMO).

# 7. (U) LESSON LEARNED:

In LIC, the need for smaller tactical vehicles increases.

### 8. (U) RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That in planning the table of equipment for units assigned a LIC mission increase the number of smaller tactical vehicles.

### 9. (U) COMMENTS:

None stated.